

### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Nexx Online, Inc.	)
Opposer,	) Opposition No
Opposer,	) Serial No. 76/404,827
V.	
Nexx LLC	
Annligant	01-31-2003
Applicant.	JIS Potent & TMOSo/TAS Mail Post Dt. #7/

Commissioner for Trademarks Box TTAB – FEE 2900 Crystal Drive Arlington, VA 2202-3513

#### **NOTICE OF OPPOSITION**

Nexx Online, Inc. a corporation of Canada, having an office and place of business at 5255 Young Street, Suite 800, Toronto, Ontario M2N 6P4 Canada (hereinafter "OPPOSER") believes it will be damaged by registration of the mark shown in Application Serial No. 76/404,827 in International Class 41 and hereby opposes the same.

As grounds for opposition, OPPOSER alleges that:

1. Applicant, Nexx LLC, a corporation of Nevada, having an address of 3291 N. Buffalo Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada 89129 (hereinafter "APPLICANT"), seeks to register LIVE LIFE AT THE **NEXX** LEVEL as a trademark for "training services in the field of multi-level marketing business services; and providing on-line training information in the field of multi-level marketing business services" in International 41. The application was published for opposition at

page TM 559 of the Official Gazette of January 14, 2003.

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- 2. OPPOSER is an established leader in delivering web hosting infrastructure for companies and businesses around the world. OPPOSER offers its customers and clients high quality web site development and web hosting services under its NEXX trademark. The OPPOSER'S web hosting and web development services which are sold under the NEXX trademark are known to members of the general public in the United States, Canada and in many countries around the world.
- 3. OPPOSER has filed an application to register its NEXX trademark in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Serial No. 75/700,372. The application was filed June 2, 1999, asserting a priority date of March 9, 1999, for the following services in International Class 42: "Hosting the web sites of others on a computer server for a global computer network; and designing and implementing web sites for others with electronic commerce capabilities." As set forth in its application, OPPOSER'S NEXX trademark was first used anywhere on March 20, 1996, and first used in commerce on December 1, 1996.
- 4. Opposer has superior rights in and to the NEXX trademark because its priority date and usage for the mark long predate the filing date of Applicant's intent-to-use application.
- 5. The OPPOSER has been using its trademark and trade name NEXX continuously for more than six years in the United States and has spent considerable time, effort and money in advertising and promoting its web

hosting services as well as a variety of promotional goods under the NEXX trademark, via the internet and in global computer networks. By virtue of its extensive use and promotional activities, Opposer has established extremely valuable goodwill in its NEXX trademark. Moreover, the NEXX trademark has through years of usage become a famous trademark.

6. APPLICANT'S trademark application (Serial No. 76/404,827) is based upon an intent to use LIVE LIFE AT THE **NEXX** LEVEL for "training services in the field of multi-level marketing business services; and providing on-line training information in the field of multi-level marketing business services." APPLICANT has also filed three other trademark applications which incorporate OPPOSER'S NEXX trademark:

LIVE LIFE AT THE **NEXX** LEVEL, Serial No. 76/404,826 -- This ITU application was filed on May 6, 2002, in Class 35 for "Multi-level marketing business services."

NEXX & design, Serial No.76/404,828 -- This ITU application was filed on May 6, 2002, in Class 41 for "Training services in the field of multilevel marketing business services; and providing on-line training information in the field of multi-level marketing business services."

NEXX & design, Serial No.76/404,829 -- This ITU application was filed on May 6, 2002, in Class 35 for "Multi-level marketing business services."

A review of these applications shows that APPLICANT is using OPPOSER'S NEXX word mark alone and in combination with other words or designs as applied to services which are confusingly similar to those offered by Opposer.

- 7. APPLICANT'S alleged mark LIVE LIFE AT THE **NEXX** LEVEL incorporates OPPOSER'S well established NEXX trademark in its entirety and in fact prominently highlights "**NEXX**" in bold capital letters. Therefore, actual and prospective purchasers of multi-level marketing business services are likely to be confused, mistaken or deceived as to the source of origin, sponsorship, affiliation or approval of those services. APPLICANT'S use of its alleged mark has already caused actual confusion in the market place.
- 8. APPLICANT's use and registration of the alleged mark LIVE LIFE AT THE **NEXX** LEVEL is also likely to cause a dilution of the distinctive quality of Opposer's famous NEXX trademark.
- 9. Upon information and belief, APPLICANT has not used its alleged mark LIVE LIFE AT THE **NEXX** LEVEL in commerce before the May 6, 2002 filing date of its intent-to-use application.
- 10. Upon information and belief, at the time APPLICANT filed Application Serial No. 76/404,827, it had or should have had full knowledge of the prior adoption and extensive use of the trademark NEXX by OPPOSER and its pending application for federal trademark registration.
- 11. Upon information and belief, APPLICANT incorporated its business under the designation NEXX LLC on or about November 7, 2001.

WHEREFORE, OPPOSER prays that this opposition be sustained.

OPPOSER hereby designates and appoints the firm of Holland & Knight LLC, 55 West Monroe Street, Suite 800, Chicago, Illinois 60603, Telephone

312.578.6689 or 312.263.3600 to act as its domestic representative on whom may be served notices or process in this proceeding and to act as its attorneys in the matter of the above-identified Opposition with full power of substitution and revocation to prosecute this Opposition and to transact all business in the United States in connection with this Opposition and to transact all business in the United States courts in connection with this Opposition; to sign its name to all papers which may hereafter be filed in connection with said Opposition; to receive all official communications related to the same; and further directs that all correspondence be forwarded to:

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The Opposition filing fee in the amount of \$300.00 is submitted herewith along with two extra copies of this Opposition.

Respectfully submitted,

NEXX ONLINE, INC.

Date: Jan. 28, 2003

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this NOTICE OF OPPOSITION is being deposited in triplicate with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to:

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# Live life at the **NEXX** level

**Word Mark** LIVE LIFE AT THE NEXX LEVEL

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marketing business services

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Serial 76404827 Number

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Owner (APPLICANT) NEXX LLC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY NEVADA 3291 N.

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#### **CURRENT APPLICANT(S)/OWNER(S)**

#### 1. NEXX LLC

#### Address:

NEXX LLC 3291 N. Buffalo Drive Las Vegas, NV 89129 United States

State or Country Where Organized: Nevada

Legal Entity Type: Other

#### **GOODS AND/OR SERVICES**

Training services in the field of multi-level marketing business services; and providing on-line training information in the field of multi-level marketing business services

**International Class: 041** 

First Use Date: (DATE NOT AVAILABLE)

First Use in Commerce Date: (DATE NOT AVAILABLE)

Basis: 1(b)

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

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